

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Endowments Department – Sri S.S. Chandrasekhar Ajad, formerly Assistant Commissioner of Endowments Department, Srikakulam – Initiation of Disciplinary proceedings under Rule 20 of A.P.Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Articles of Charges – Issued.

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REVENUE (VIG.IV.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Rt. No. 1543.

Dated the 2nd of November, 2010.

Read :-

From the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad
Lr.C.No.76/DED-VSK/2009, dt.17.07.2010.

O R D E R:

The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau in his letter read above has informed that during the discreet enquiry, on the allegations of irregularities against Sri S.S.Chandrasekhar Ajad, formerly Assistant Commissioner of Endowments Department, Srikakulam, prima facie, certain allegations are held proved and requested the Government to initiate action in accordance with the procedure laid down under Rule 20 of A.P.Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991.

2. Accordingly, the substance of imputations of misconduct or misbehaviour in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Articles of Charges (Annexure-I). A statement of imputations of misconduct/misbehaviour in support of each Article of Charges is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses (Annexure-III & IV) by whom the proposed Articles of Charge are sustained, are also enclosed.

3. Sri S.S.Chandrasekhar Ajad, formerly Assistant Commissioner of Endowments Department, Srikakulam is directed to submit his Written Statement of Defence within 15 days from the date of receipt of this order.

4. Sri S. S. Chandrasekhar Ajad, formerly Assistant Commissioner of Endowments Department, Srikakulam is informed that an enquiry will be held only in respect of those Articles of Charges which are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny each Article of Charge.

5. Sri S. S. Chandrasekhar Ajad, formerly Assistant Commissioner of Endowments Department, Srikakulam, is also informed that if he does not submit his Written Statement of Defence on or before the date specified in Para 3 above, the matter will be processed further, based on material available on record, exparte.

6. Attention of Sri S. S. Chandrasekhar Ajad, formerly Assistant Commissioner of Endowments Department, Srikakulam is invited to rule 24 of A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964 under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matter pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt with in these proceedings, it will be presumed that he is aware of such

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a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

K.V. RAMANA CHARY
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri S. S. Chandrasekhar Ajad, formerly Assistant Commissioner of Endowments Department, Srikakulam (Through the Commissioner, Endowments Department, A.P., Hyderabad).

Copy to:

The Commissioner, Endowments Department, A.P., Hyderabad.

The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad.

The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner, A.P.Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad.

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ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAISNT SRI S.S.CHANDRA SEKHAR AJAD, S/O.KOTILINGAM, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF ENDOWMENT, PREVIOUSLY WORKED AT SRIKAKULAM DISTRICT.

Sri S.S.Chandra Sekhar Ajad, S/o. Kotilingam has joined Endowment Department as Assistant Commissioner on 14.08.2000. While working as Assistant Commissioner of Endowments at Srikakulam, Srikakulam District from 21.12.2000 to 22.07.2004 has committed the following grave misconduct in as much as:-

CHARGES:

1. That the Government Servant had permitted the Executive Officers & Managers to withdraw funds from banks in respect of institutions classified under section 6(c) of the Act, 30/87, though he was not empowered to authorized to withdraw of the funds.
2. That Government Servant by violating the guidelines made advances from the funds of the temples.
3. That the Government Servant did not initiate action on the orders of the Commissioner, Endowments, A.P., Hyderabad for effecting the orders of the transfers of persons in management of the various temples and four managers.
4. That the Government Servant transferred Sri P.V.Ramana, Attender from Group Temples, Srikakulam to Sri Pedda Jagannadha Swamy Temple, Itchapuram during the ban period without obtaining prior permission from the Commissioner, Endowment Department, A.P., Hyderabad.
5. That the Government Servant issued orders to extend the P.R.C.Scales 99 to the temple employees without obtaining from the Commissioner.
6. That the Government Servant without obtaining prior permission from the competent authority had implemented the scheme under Food for Work or Sampoorna Grameena Rozgar Yojana and failed to maintain absolute integrity in volition of A.P.Civil Services (conduct) Rules, 1964.

Thus, Sri S.S. Chandrasekhar Ajad by his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity devotion to duty conduct unbecoming of Government Servant and thereby contravened Rule 3(1) and (2) of the A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTICLES OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI S.S.CHANDRA SEKHAR AJAD, S/O.KOTILINGAM, ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF ENDOWMENT, PREVIOUSLY WORKED AT SRIKAKULAM DISTRICT.

Sri S.S.Chandra Sekhar Ajad, S/o. Kotilingam is native of Krishna District. His date of birth is 10.08.1970, he joined Government service on 14.08.2000 as Assistant Commissioner of Endowments, at Srikakulam, Srikakulam District. He drawing basic pay of Rs.15,500/- in time scale of Rs.15500/- to 30,000/-. His date of attaining superannuation is on 31.08.2009. (He is here in after referred as Government Servant).

That the Government Servant while working as Assistant Commissioner, Endowments, Srikakulam without obtaining prior permission from the competent authority authorized the Executive Officers and Managers to withdraw the funds of the institutions classified under section 6(c) of the Act 30/87, made advances from the funds of the temples not effected the transfers by violating the orders of the Commissioner, Endowments, A.P., Hyderabad, transferred one Attender by violating ban orders and without the orders of the competent authority extended the benefits of P.R.C. 1999 to the employees and implemented the schemes under food for work Sampoorna Grameena Rozgar Yojana.

The brief facts of the case are that on credible information that the Government Servant while working as Assistant Commissioner, Endowments, Srikakulam indulged himself in irregularities. A Discreet Enquiry was conducted in to the allegation by the Anti-Corruption Bureau officials, Srikakulam. The Discreet Enquiry revealed that while the G.S. working as Assistant Commissioner, Endowments, Srikakulam had issued permission for withdrawal of funds from banks relating to 6(c) institutions though he was not empowered to authorized for the same.

The Commissioner, Endowments Department, A.P., Hyderabad vide his orders in Rc.No.G4/34043/2002, dated 16.07.2002, transferred the following persons from their present places to other temples as noted below in orders.

Sl. No	Name of the Person	Present Place	Transferred Place
1	Sri N.V. Ramanaiah	Persons-in- Management, Sri Santhoshimatha at Tekkali	Persons-in- Management, Sri Narasimha Swamy Temple, Sri Mukhalingam and other temples.
2	Sri M. Venkata Rao	Persons-in- Management, Sri Laxmana Balaji Swamy Math, Tekkali	Persons-in- Management, Sri Balaji Raghunadha Swamy Temple Besi Ramachandrapuram and other temples
3	Sri S. Nageswara Rao	Persons-in- Management, Sri Narasimha Swamy Temple, Sri Mukhalingam and other temples.	Persons-in- Management, Sri Santhoshimatha Ammavari Temple at Tekkali
4	Sri B. Rama Rao	Persons-in- Management, Sri Balaji Raghunadha Swamy Temple Besi Ramachandrapuram	Persons-in- Management, Sri Laxmana Balaji Swamy Math, Tekkali

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It came to know that the Suspect Officer did not follow the instructions and kept the transfer orders a side. Further, he also recommended in his letter Rc.No.A-4/4247/01, dt.31.01.2003 addressed to the Commissioner, Endowments Department, A.P., Hyderabad for keeping the said transfer orders in obedience.

As per the guidelines the Government servant can utilize 2/3rd interest realized on the F.D.Rs towards the maintenance of the temples and shall make advances to the other temples duly obtaining prior permissions from the Commissioner, Endowments Department, A.P., Hyderabad. But, contrary to the instructions of his superiors, he made certain advances and more particular in respect of the advances made to the other temples from the funds of Sri Radha Kantha Swamy, Palasa. Thus, he violated the instructions of his superiors.

It is also come to know that the Andhra Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation authorities paid an amount of Rs.10 Lakhs through Cheque No.020607, dt.05.06.1990 for the land of Ac.4-14 cents belongs to Sri Radhakantha @ Madhava Mohana Swamy Temple, Palasa alienate for construction of Bus Depot and Bus Station. The amount was invested and reinvested under FDRs from time to time. It matured for Rs.38,05,021/- as on 04.05.2001. The F.D. was split into 4 parts and invested one for Rs.20 Lakhs another for Rs.10 Lakhs, 3rd for 3 lakhs which was matured for Rs.3,29,175/- as on 04.11.2001 and the remaining amount of Rs.5,05,021/- was deposited under S.B.A/c.No.7605 of Vysya Bank, Srikakulam in the name of the Commissioner, Endowments, A.P., Hyderabad and the Assistant Commissioner (E), Srikakulam. As per the guidelines, the Assistant Commissioner can utilize 2/3rd interest realized on the total FDRs towards the maintenance of the temples and shall make advances to the other temples duly obtaining prior permissions from the Commissioner, Endowments Department, A.P., Hyderabad. But, contrary to the instructions of his superiors, he made certain advances and more particular in respect of the advances made to the other temples from the funds of Sri Radha Kantha Swamy, Palasa. Thus, he violated the instructions of his superiors.

In pursuance of orders issued by the Commissioner of Endowments Department, the Deputy Commissioner, Endowments Department had issued orders to Suspect Officer for transferring 4 Managers who were involved in the irregularities but he did not care to implement the said orders with an ulterior motive.

In pursuance of the orders of Commissioner, Endowments Department, Hyderabad, the Deputy Commissioner transferred Sri U. Ramanaiah, the then Inspector, Sompeta as Senior Assistant in the office of the Assistant Commissioner, Endowments Department, Srikakulam. Accordingly, Sri U.Ramanaiah, joined duly as Senior Assistant in the office of Assistant Commissioner, Srikakulam in the month of July, 2002. Regarding transfer of 4 Managers he did not implement the transfer orders.

The Government Servant transferred Sri P.V.Ramana, Attender from Group Temples, Srikakulam as Attender to Sri Pedda Jagannadha Swamy Temple, Itchapuram during the ban period at the request of the individual without obtaining prior permission of the Commissioner, Endowments Department, A.P., Hyderabad.

It is true that the Government Servant transferred Sri P.V.Ramana, Attender from Group Temples, Srikakulam as Attender to Sri Pedda Jagannadha Swamy Temple, Itchapuram during the ban period at the request of the individual without obtaining prior permission of the Commissioner, Endowments Department, A.P., Hyderabad.

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The Government Servant had issued orders to extend the PRC Scales 99 to the temple employees without the permission of the Commissioner.

It also come to know that the Government Servant when he was working as the Assistant Commissioner issued orders extending the benefits of Revised Pay Scales, 1999 to Sri S.Nageswara Rao, Manager, Group Temples, Sri Mukhalingam with effect from 01.04.2004.

Pay Scales were also extended to Sri V.Radha Krishna, Sri G.Gurunadha Rao, Sri D.Ramanaiah, Sri P.Syamala Rao and Sri B.Rama Rao, Manager in Rc.No.A-4/166/2004, dt.14.05.2004 as per the resolution passed by three men committee consisting of Assistant Commissioner (E), Srikakulam, Deputy Commissioner, Endowments Department, Visakhapatnam and the Regional Commissioner, Endowments Department, Kakinada.

The Government Servant did not obtain any prior permission from his competent authority for works covered under Food for Work or Sampoorna Grameena Rozgar Yojana and taken up works under above schemes.

During confidential enquiries it came to light that the Government Servant got the sanction orders from the District Collector, Srikakulam for 16 works in various temples worth Rs.33-42 Lakhs in the year 2001-02 under Food for Work Programme. The said works were got executed by the Government Servant.

He also got the sanction orders from the District Collector, Srikakulam for another 25 works under Sampoorna Grameena Rozgar Yojana of them, 18 works were entrusted to the Endowments Department in which 17 were completed and the sole work at Sri Venkateswara Swamy Temple, Pathapatnam is still pending. The remaining 7 works were entrusted to the M.D.Os concerned by the District Collector, Srikakulam.

The Government Servant did not obtain any prior permission for all the above works covered under Food for Work or Sampoorna Grameena Rozgar Yojana from his competent authority.

The Regional Vigilance & Enforcement authorities, Srikakulam has been conducting an enquiry into the works executed by the Government Servant and the connected records were also seized and taken away by them for enquiry.

Thus, Sri S.S.Chandrasekhar Ajad, S/o. Kotilingam, Assistant Commissioner of Endowments, previously worked at Srikakulam, Srikakulam District by his above mentioned acts exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty conduct unbecoming of Government servant and thereby contravened Rule 3(1) (2) of the A.P.Civil Services (conduct) Rules, 1964.

Hence, the Government Servant therefore rendered himself liable for departmental action for major penalty.

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ANNEXURE-III

LIST OF WITNESSES:

1. Additional Commissioner, Endowments Department, Hyderabad.
2. Sri G.Deva Kumar, District Inspector, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Srikakulam District.
3. Persons in Management of temples concerned.
4. The concerned Executive Officers and managers who withdrawn the funds from in banks.
5. The Executive Officer of Sri Radhakrishna Swamy Temple, Palasa.

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ANNEXURE-IV

LIST OF DOCUMENTS:

1. Lr.No.E-1/49286/2009, dt.20.11.2009 of Additional Commissioner, Endowments Department, Hyderabad.
2. Ban orders of the Government.
3. Transfer orders of the P.V.Ramana, Attender.
4. Proceedings of the Government Servant for extending the benefits of the PRC, 1999.
5. The works under taken under Food for Works/ Sampoorana Grameena Rozgar Yojana.

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